

THE BENNINGTON EVENING BANNER

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With 17 Representatives at Montpelier Bennington County Cast Only Four Votes In Favor of Woman Suffrage. Some Explanations Expected

LEGISLATURE CLEANS UP LOT OF BUSINESS

Bill to Provide State Pay for Drafted Men Advanced

SENATE CLEARS DECKS

Passes Bill Providing for Voters in Military or Naval Service Taking Part in Election.

Montpelier, Feb. 15.—The legislature went home from Friday to Monday evening as usual but left a lot of unfinished work on hand, particularly important bills in committee awaiting hearings.

The bill to provide state pay for drafted men was ordered to a third reading Friday. It is estimated that this will cost a million dollars which will have to be raised by taxation. The million appropriated two years ago will no more than finish paying the volunteers.

In the Senate the resignation of Senator Maurice of Lamoille county was received and resolutions were adopted expressing the appreciation of the Senate for the Senator's service in that body.

In the House Mr. White of Georgia tried to slide-track H-69, changing the date of the open season for deer and permitting the killing of deer but the motion to lay on the table was lost 102 to 70, and the bill was passed.

Mr. O'Donnell of Brunswick undertook to amend H-109, relating to classification of forest lands for tax purposes and after his amendment was made the bill was ordered to lie after various amendments had been offered H-215 relating to assessment of annual license taxes was recommitted into the committee on ways and means and the following bills were rejected:

H-59—Providing for two years' season on wild deer; H-62, relating to taking wild deer; H-161, to return schools to town control; H-177, qualifying judges conducting inquest to render judgment and pass sentence on cases of guilty H-108, relating to disorderly house.

The House passed the following: H-4, to permit municipalities to establish wood, coal and fuel yards; H-28, relating to trustee process; H-42, relating to transportation and board of pupils; H-60, changing date of open season for deer and permitting killing of deer; H-82, relating to treatment of venereal diseases; H-83, relating to state board of health; H-85, making closed season on partridges and woodcock; H-121, relating to exemptions from inheritance taxes; H-128, permitting to license certain amusement places by selection, trustees and aldermen; H-187, relating to solemnization of marriage by non-resident ministers.

H-129, which was up for final passage was unexpectedly rejected with out any debate by a vote of 52 to 52. By working a little over time the Senate cleared its calendar. The following bills were passed:

H-2—Fixing liability of municipalities for negligence in public work; H-36, providing for voters in military or naval service taking part in election; H-56, making overseers directly responsible for operation of poor farms; H-57, to prohibit misrepresentation by insurance companies; H-58, relating to qualification of national guard officers; H-77, to provide for central supervision of collection of delinquent taxes.

H-89, relating to fees of keepers of jail for board and washing for state prisoners, state and town paupers was vigorously debated. Senators Vlas, Morgan, McKillip and Ballou opposing the bill and Senators Steel, Schoff, Maurice, Payne and Howard favoring it. The bill was passed as amended by a vote of 15 to 11.

There was also a debate on the bill raising salaries of county clerks, Senators Maurice, Daniels, Belknap and Vlas favoring the bill and Senators Howard and Ballou opposing. The bill went to a third reading by a vote of 19 to 5.

H-17—Providing for investigation of state expenses was put over until next Thursday morning.

Valuable Gems.
"Do you think a person ought to put all his eggs in one basket?"
"Yes. And then lock the basket up in a safe deposit box."

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS
To Be Held in Apollo Hall Social Rooms Saturday, Feb. 15.

Democratic voters of the Town of Bennington are hereby notified to attend a caucus of the Democratic party to be held at the social rooms of Apollo Hall, north door entrance, on Saturday evening, February 15th at eight o'clock to place in nomination candidates for town officers to be voted for at the annual meeting to be held on the first Tuesday of March, 1919.

Dennis Enright,
William Gibney,
W. P. Hogan,
John Seary,
H. D. Fillmore,
E. J. Tiffany,
John P. Mulligan,
Democratic Town Committee.

SOLDIERS' UNIFORMS

Tailors May Not Make New Ones For Discharged Ones.

A warning to tailors against providing new uniforms for soldiers about to be discharged from service has been issued by the authorities at the Watervliet arsenal. The warning reads:

"The wearing of soldiers' uniforms after the date of discharge is going to be a source of considerable trouble unless the law is observed to the letter, but one of the latest wrinkles must be borne in mind by tailors."

"Under the law, as it stands, discharged officers and discharged soldiers may wear their uniforms three months after their discharge, but the enlisted man is compelled to return his uniform to Uncle Sam before the expiration of four months after his discharge."

"However, there is pending in congress a bill, which if passed will permit soldiers to retain their uniforms and wear them, but they must also wear some insignia or distinctive mark to be issued by the war department while attired in that particular uniform."

"But here is where the tailor's shoe pinches. Several tailors and some big clothing concerns had prepared to make, at the soldier's expense, of course, a new uniform, which would be neat and natty and would replace the worn and soiled uniform, which must soon needs be discarded. But this is a practice upon which Uncle Sam frowns."

"The soldier will be permitted to wear only the particular uniform which he is allowed to retain at the time of his discharge. This paragraph does not apply to officers, for they of course purchase their own uniforms. After three months are up, however, the discharged officer may wear his uniform only on occasions of ceremony."

TROTSKY'S EYE ON KAKSAS

He Wants His Old Quiet Job in Girard.

Pittsburg, Kan., Feb. 5.—Faced with the failure of his ambitious scheme to create a working class dictatorship in Russia, Leon Trotsky has made application for his old job on The New Appeal, formerly The Appeal to Reason, in Girard.

Even a personal appeal in Trotsky's behalf by a bearded count of the old Russian regime failed to persuade Haiman Haldeman-Julius, the present manager of The New Appeal, to put the empire wrecker on the payroll.

When Louis Kopeln, editor of The New Appeal, was in Europe recently on a mission sent by the "Loyal Socialists of America" to backfire on Hun propaganda among the working class, Trotsky sent emissaries to Kopeln, asking to be re-employed on the staff of The New Appeal, as he had been a number of years ago traveling there under the name of Hornstein.

Kopeln wrote to Haldeman-Julius about this, so the manager was not greatly surprised when several months later there entered his office a man who had joined the revolution and was one of Trotsky's right-hand men.

"Trotsky is a tired man," the "count" said. "He is tired of revolution. He is almost a victim of neurasthenia. Added to this, he has fallen out with Lenin. Trotsky's one desire now is a place in some quiet corner of the world, where he can enjoy the job of theorizing without having to tackle the task of putting his theories into practice. As money is no object with him, he would be willing to work for the same old salary, but would like to have a desk in a private office."

Haldeman-Julius told the "count" there is nothing open in The New Appeal at this time.

"Tell Trotsky for me that if he wants to find a quiet place he might go to Holland and hobnob with the Kaiser—provided Wilhelm will associate with him, which I doubt," Julius said.

While in Girard Trotsky organized and promoted a strike by the two dining room girls in the town's one hotel. It was not a success. He protested against townfolk acting as firemen to extinguish a burning residence, because, he said, it belonged to the "bourgeoisie."

NAVY DESERTERS ARRESTED
Two Young Men Shaken Out of Sleep in Bondville.

Brattleboro, Feb. 13.—Two youths said to be deserters from the navy were shaken out of sleep in Bondville early this morning by Sheriff Frank L. Wellman of this place and Deputy William M. Spaul of Townshend and were brought here and locked up. This noon Sheriff Wellman started with them for Boston to place them in charge of federal officials.

They were Louis Anderson and James Gardner of Jersey City, N. J., and they were taken in the Kendall lumber camp where they were known by other names. Information from Boston was that they came here since February 4 with a number of men to enter the employ of the American Realty company in Jamaica. The information proved to be correct and they were found in one of the company's camps sleeping together.

Without awakening them the officers pulled down the bedclothing and identified the young men by scars mentioned in the description of them.

They denied that they were deserters and said they were discharged but when asked to show their discharge papers they said the papers had been stolen. They are about 20 years old and were employed as cooks.

TROOPS CALLED TO TAKE OVER ELECTRIC WORKS

Belfast Is Relying on Military Support.

DISASTER FOR IRELAND

Sir Edward Carson Has Lost Prestige and Influence in Ulster in Last Months.

Belfast, Feb. 15.—Troops took possession of the gas works and electric power station today. The mayor in his proclamation says it is now assured that military support will be given the authorities and asks for volunteers to carry on municipal services.

Dublin, Friday.—The situation in Ireland is steadily drifting toward disaster. The pious platitudes which constituted the only reference to the country in the king's speech at the opening of Parliament expressed the general inertia of the government.

Premier Lloyd George's refusal to discuss Ireland at all supplies the clearest evidence of the state of mind of the cabinet. Sir Edward Carson is the "hidden hand" that rules the government's policy in Ireland. That policy is directed by him to create a situation which will make certain a disastrous conflict between British authority and popular will in Ireland.

Sir Edward Carson has lost prestige and influence in Ulster during the last two months, and has alienated the friendship of the most powerful and influential southern unionists. The first blow struck at his authority in the leadership in the north of Ireland was at the general elections when labor opposed his right and the right of his nominees to voice its claims. His arrogation of the leadership of organized labor in Belfast, with the purpose of forming a new unionist labor party was bitterly resented.

MEALS FOR NATIONAL GUARD
Who Served in Spanish-American War Or On Border.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The War Department has issued General Order Number 8, which is as follows:

"A bronze medal with suitable device and ribbon will be issued to any officer or enlisted man of the National Guard who, under orders of the President, served not less than ninety days in the War with Spain."

"A bronze medal with suitable device and ribbon will be issued to any officer or enlisted man of the National Guard who, under orders of the President, served in the Mexican border in the years 1916 and 1917. This medal will not be issued to any one who is eligible to receive the Mexican service badge prescribed in Sec. IX, G. O. 155, War D. 1917."

"Neither of these medals will be presented to any officer or enlisted man not now in the National Guard unless he quit it in an honorable status. In case of death of a man who would have been entitled to such medals, the medals may be presented to his family. Application for these medals will be made to the Adjutant General of the Army through military channels. The application should give the full name and address of the claimant, the rank he held, and the organization in which he served during the war with Spain or upon the Mexican border."

"The Mexican border, in this order it is pointed out, includes the Vera Cruz punitive expedition and operations along the border continuous to the fighting between Mexicans or where firing occurred across the border causing casualties among the American unit."

"Through military channels" in this order only refers to persons now in the military service or who are members of the National Guard. All civilians who are entitled to these medals should make application direct to the Adjutant General, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

Unsupported.
I would that a snow-clad soldier could enter the Congress Hall, stride to the desk of the Speaker, and facing them one and all speak with the line of the frozen stare with the eyes of the dead. And tell them a story of Russia—Russia the runs with red.

Yes, tell them the tale of the handbills left to their fate alone—Tell of the furious fighting, in cold this bite to the bone; Fling in the startled faces that never had steel nor snow Struck to their hearts like knowing America left them so.

Say to them: "I am a message—one of the men you have lost!" "Haste, or the others will follow, bringing full count of the cost." "Stamping with frozen footsteps into this House of the Law."

"To point with accusing fingers, to tell of the things they saw." Strong with the will of the nation, dauntless the surging line Battled from Clatsen-Thierry, swept to the German Rhine.

Grant to our soldiers in Russia only the soldier's due—withdrawn their backs then or else withdraw their drop it or see it through!

O. C. A. Child.

NO ENTHUSIASM IN FRANCE OVER CONSTITUTION

The Press Claims the 26 Articles Bring No Security

DAMNED BY FAINT PRAISE

Features of the League of Nations Covenant Which Is Presented to Conference for Adoption.

Paris, Feb. 15.—(Constitution of the society of nations arouses little enthusiasm in the French Press. At best it is "damned by faint praise." The Miroir, the organ of the ruling class, says the "future is opened to better settlement, but that naturally is vague and nebulous."

The Echo de Paris, says, "we are forced to conclude that the twenty-six articles bring us no security. Until they are changed we can sacrifice nothing of our means of defense to them."

Following are features of the league of nations covenant which was read publicly by President Wilson and presented to the peace conference for adoption:

In establishment of league each member nation has one vote in body of delegates and may not have more than three representatives. Executive council is composed of representatives of United States, British empire, France, Italy and Japan, and four other states. A permanent secretary, with secretary-general, is established.

Admission to league requires two-thirds vote of delegates. Only fully self-governing countries, dominions and colonies are eligible.

Principle is recognized of reduction of armament to lowest possible point consistent with national safety, executive council to determine degree.

League agrees to protect each member from external aggression, executive council advising as to means.

International arbitration is obligatory and permanent court of international justice shall be established. Members of league, in case of threatened rupture, are pledged to submit to arbitration, to executive council, which will propose measures against nations refusing to abide by decision.

Breaking of covenant by any member is an act of war against whole league. Executive council, who recommend how members shall contribute to military and naval armaments.

In event of dispute between member nation and one outside league, the outside nation shall be invited to adopt same procedure as between member nations. In case of refusal the league would proceed against a member breaking covenant. In event of both parties refusing, executive council may determine what league is to do.

Colonies taken from enemy countries are to be governed on the principle of mandates from the league in the most enlightened way and by nations best fitted to be trusted with them. Mandatory nations are responsible to the league.

Member nations are pledged to maintain fair and humane conditions of labor for men, women and children.

League agrees to maintain freedom of transit and equitable treatment for commerce, with special arrangements for devastated regions.

All treaties and agreements heretofore made to be binding must be registered with the secretary-general of the league and published by him. Delegates shall have right to advise reconsideration of previous treaties and international conditions which may endanger peace of world.

All existing obligations between member nations inconsistent with covenant are abrogated. Amendments to covenant must be ratified by nations represented in executive council and three-fourths of states composing body of delegates.

BENNINGTON TEAM WINNER

In Pool Tournament Held at North Bennington.

The first game in the pool tournament between Bennington and North Bennington was held Tuesday evening at North Bennington. The captain of the North Bennington team is Jack Morse and William Mayhew is captain of the Bennington team. The points scored were as follows:

Bennington Team	Total
Leo	130
Cardinal	112
Brillon	226
Lawrence	194
Hanley	216

North Bennington Team	Total
Beagle	55
Percey	198
Harrington	128
Stanley	229
Knight	195

Too Dangerous.
"Here's a story about a girl who swallowed a diamond ring."
"She was a very foolish girl. A diamond ring is too rich for anybody's digestion."

WEATHER.
Snow north, snow or rain, south portions tonight. Colder Sunday.

HOLDUP VICTIM ONCE RESIDED IN BENNINGTON

Marshall Clapp's Jewelry Store in New York Robbed

\$5000 IN DIAMONDS

Partner, James Graham, Jr., Forced to Deliver Platinum Necklace and Diamond Bracelet.

Marshall Clapp, who passed his boyhood in Bennington and who was educated at the public schools here, was the joint loser with his partner Friday afternoon of jewelry valued at \$5000. The jewelry, consisting of a platinum and diamond necklace and a diamond bracelet, were stolen Friday afternoon in one of the most daring holdup robberies in the history of New York.

The jewelry store visited by the holdup men is located on Madison avenue and is conducted under the firm name of Clapp & Graham. The junior partner was near the front of the store early in the afternoon when two men entered the store. One of the men immediately drew a revolver and ordered Graham to face the rear of the store. The other man grabbed the necklace and the bracelet and ran from the store.

The bandit who had used the revolver was later knocked down in the street and captured but the thief who had the jewelry in his pocket escaped.

Miss Fannie Loomis, a former resident of Bennington now with one of the New York banks, until about a year ago, was employed at the Clapp & Graham store.

PRESIDENT WILSON SAILED TODAY AT 11:15

Sends Cablegram That He Will Speak in Boston Upon His Ar- rival in This Country.

Brest, Feb. 15.—President and Mrs. Wilson left here on their return to the United States aboard the George Washington at 11:18 this morning.

In a farewell message to the French people, President Wilson said he had been received and treated as a friend and as he had most desired to be treated. He added that he would be happy to return to France and assist in completing the just settlements of the peace conference.

Atlantic City, Feb. 15.—A cablegram received today by Joseph T. Wilson secretary to President Wilson, announced his decision to deliver an address at Boston immediately upon arrival. It is expected the voyage will take about nine days.

NEW TOWN FARM MANAGER

H. Alfred Harbour to Succeed Arthur J. Russell April 1.

The selectmen have made an arrangement with H. Alfred Harbour to become manager of the town farm beginning April 1 when the term of the present manager, Arthur J. Russell expires. Mr. Russell becomes custodian of the Bennington county jail a position he held for a number of years under the late Sheriff Willard.

No contract with Mr. Harbour has yet been made but an agreement has been entered into with the selectmen and the arrangement will undoubtedly be carried out. The new manager owns a farm not far from the town property and his experience should qualify him for the position he proposes to fill.

ALEXANDER BAZINO

Highly Respected Citizen Died Wed- nesday in North Bennington.

Alexander Bazino a highly respected citizen of North Bennington passed away Wednesday, Feb. 13, at his home on Church street. Mr. Bazino was 56 years of age, a stone mason by trade, and had been ill for over a year with rheumatism. He was a kind hearted neighbor, and had a host of friends who will sadly miss his bright jolly words of greeting. He moved to this place from New York city about sixteen years ago.

He is survived by two daughters, Miss Lena and Miss Elizabeth Bazino who reside at home and two sons Anthony and Charles who are both with the American Expeditionary force in France.

Definite funeral arrangements have not been made as yet, as one of the sons, Charles, may be on his way back to America.

START IN RAIN

Wilson Party Leave Paris Without Demonstration.

Paris, Feb. 15.—President and Mrs. Wilson arrived at Invalides station at 9 last night, enroute home, in a pouring rain. Their departure for Brest was without the demonstration which marked their arrival in Paris last December but there was every evidence of official and popular cordiality.

WILL BECOME MEMBER OF BRATTLEBORO LAW FIRM.

Montpelier, Feb. 14.—Senator Melville P. Mairieux of Lamoille county has resigned as senator in order to become a member of the law firm of Harvey, Maurice and Whitney in Brattleboro, successors to the late Flits law firm, with which the late Robert C. Bacon was also connected. Senator Maurice was state's attorney of Lamoille county in 1908 and 1918 and his enforcement of the "no honk" ordinance attracted state wide attention. Several names are mentioned for his successor among them being Fred G. Fleetwood of Morrisville, Roger W. Hubbard of Hyde Park and H. W. Varnum of Cambridge.

BENNINGTON HIGH WINS

Defeats St. John's High at Basket Ball 35 to 20.

Bennington High school, or rather its team, won another basket ball victory Friday evening by defeating St. John's High school of Rensselaer 35-20. The game was a fast one from start to finish and until the last few minutes of play did either side gain any material lead. Then our boys showed their superiority.

During the first half, the spectators held their breath continually for each side seemed to be gaining in turn. Bennington caged the first basket and then the visitors played a little basket ball and almost broke away. The home team then used some of its grand old guarding and pass work so when the whistle blew at the end of the half, the visitors were one point behind, the score being 14-13.

The second-half was interesting in spite of the periods of time-out called by the visitors. Two changes in the local line-up served to put some pep in the game and the corners of the mouths of the visitors began to draw down for the score of the B. H. S. quintette was going up correspondingly. The visitors shot only three field baskets and one foul during this period while the home team shot one foul and ten field goals. At the end of the game, the spectators broke into a joyous shout for the score board recorded a favorable 35-20.

The noticeable features of the game were the team work of both sides and the shooting of the Bennington boys. The cheering also showed a marked improvement.

St. John's Bennington
Dunnell, L. McGuire
Burn, R. L. Sumner
Adams, C. C. Murray
Hickey, J. G. Ryan
Reagan, R. E. Ryan
Field goals: McGuire 4, Burn 4, Murray 4, Burns 3, Adams 3, McIlroy 2, Ryan 2, Doran, Hickey, Reagan 3 free throws: Sumner 2, Burns 2, Burn, Referee, Walton, Harwood, Umpire, Halloway. Attendance, 100.

MRS. F. S. PLATT SUES

Asks Damages of \$5000 for Death of Husband.

Rutland, Feb. 14.—A negligence suit, in which damages of \$5000 are sought, has been started in the United States District court by Mrs. Fredrick S. Platt of 64 North Main street against the Boston and Maine railroad, the papers having been issued recently by the St. Johnsbury law firm of Dunnett & Shields, of which Alexander Dunnett, a former district attorney, is the head. The damages sought on the grounds that, in the week of September 10, 1918, in which Mr. Platt lost his life, was the result of the negligence of the company.

At the time of the accident Mr. Platt, who was clerk of the United States District court, was on his way to Brattleboro to attend a session of court. Two other men were killed in the wreck and 23 were injured. A rear-end collision occurring a short distance from Dunsmuir.

Mr. Platt and the others who were killed were in the smoker of a local passenger train. At the point of the accident the local took a siding to the local White Mountain "flyer" to pass. After this train had passed the local pulled on to the main line and while a trainman was turning the switch a freight train, which the local passed at Putney came around a curve, and crashed into the passenger train.

No special claim of negligence is made as to the rear of the passenger train being unprotected, or the signal system being out of order, but the general claim is made that the running of two trains so close together is negligence in itself.

The papers in the case will be served on the officials of the Boston and Maine railroad as well as on Walter D. Hines, director general of the United States railroad administration.

HERBERT IS CITED

Brattleboro Boy Receives Honor From Gen. Edwards.

Brattleboro, Feb. 13.—Joseph Herbert of Marlboro received today from the chaplain of the 103d Infantry an order from Gen. Edwards citing First Class Private Clarence R. Herbert of Co. M, 103d Infantry, son of Joseph Herbert, for marked gallantry and meritorious service in the advance of the 26th division in the second battle of the Marne in which a number of French towns mentioned in the citation were captured.

The chaplain said in his letter accompanying the citation that when he was requested by Gen. Edwards to present the document Pvt. Herbert was in a hospital. He was afraid it might become lost if he mailed it to Pvt. Herbert in the hospital so he mailed it home. Pvt. Herbert has been mentioned twice in the casualty lists as being wounded. His father has received no recent news from him and letters addressed to him in France have been returned.

SENATOR MAURICE RESIGNS

Will Become Member of Brattleboro Law Firm.

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MAY GO TO SIBERIA

Sergt. Philias Rousseau May Join Canadians Across Pacific.

Sergt. Philias Rousseau of the 13th Canadian Black Watch regiment, who has been at the home of his mother recovering from a shrapnel wound in the leg received while with his regiment in France, leaves tonight for Montreal with the expectation of joining a light horse regiment soon to leave for Siberia. He has been in communication with headquarters for some time and has received his orders to report at once.

The young veteran, he is only 17 years old, expects to be in training in Montreal for about a month as it is the understanding that the cavalry men with whom he is to be associated will sail from Vancouver March 15.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Republican voters of the Town of Bennington are hereby notified to at- tend a caucus of the Republican party to be held at Apollo Hall, on Saturday evening, February 15th at eight o'clock to place in nomination candidates for town officers to be voted for at the annual meeting to be held on the first Tuesday of March, 1919.

Bennington, Vt., February 6, 1919.
Edward H. Holden,
Walter H. Berry,
Peter Longtin,
Harry B. Hutchins,
Ralph A. Jones,
Republican Town Committee.